

LOCAL AND PERSONAL NOTES

No one is complaining of dry weather.

Do you want to buy a nice cow? See H. E. Carlton.

Col. Wm. Carlton, of Wauchula, was in town this week.

Col. C. C. Morgan, of Fort Ogden, was in the city Tuesday.

Mr. J. H. Homer, of St. Louis, was in the city Saturday.

Miss Helena Holyendorf is visiting Miss Olney Williams.

Mr. M. J. O'Conner, of Fort Ogden, paid us a visit Monday.

Mr. T. D. Bourland, of Tampa, arrived in Arcadia Sunday.

Mr. M. L. Giles, of Bowling Green, was in the city Monday.

All kinds of umbrellas repaired and covered at Marquis' Jewelry Store.

Mr. H. O. Banister, of Fort Myers, was in the city last week.

Mr. Wm. Kelly, of Avon Park, was a visitor to our city Monday.

Mr. M. A. Gardner, of Zolfo, was in the city the first of the week.

Mr. F. A. Smet, of Zolfo, was a guest at the Arcadia House Monday.

Col. Hancock, of Fort Ogden, was in the city on business this week.

Mr. R. D. Moss, of Atlanta, registered at the Arcadia House Monday.

Mr. Frank Dugger, of Zolfo, registered at the Arcadia House Monday.

There will be a song service in the Methodist church Sunday night week.

Mr. Robt. T. Brook, Jr., of Atlant, was calling on customers here this week.

Take all your old umbrellas to Marquis' and have them fixed.

Mr. G. S. Henderson, of Fort De-naud, was a visitor in the city last week.

Mr. Wm. Crouch, of Punta Gorda, was a visitor to Arcadia the first of the week.

The Misses Collins, of Nocatee, visited friends and relatives in Arcadia this week.

Mr. Joe Best, of Punta Gorda, passed through Arcadia Wednesday, homeward bound.

Mrs. T. B. Kingspent several days visiting relatives and friends in Homel-land this week.

Rev. T. J. Phillips, of Punta Gorda, filled the pulpit in the Methodist church Sunday.

Messrs. N. C. Platt, J. G. Allbritton and W. H. Platt, of Lily, Fla., were in the city Tuesday.

Umbrellas repaired and covered at F. Marquis' Jewelry Store.

Mr. F. Marvin Durrance, of Tampa, is spending the week in Arcadia, visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. S. J. Brown, a popular traveling man of Savannah, Ga., was calling on our merchants Monday.

Mrs. Rhody Parker and daughter, Miss Vess, left Friday for Ashville and points in the North and West.

Straw rides are the thing now, and quite a number have been indulged in recently by our young people.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Miner, of Bowling Green, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Chollar Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Anderson and little daughter, from Tampa, are visiting her daughter, Mrs. Douglass Treadwell, of Arcadia.

Miss Viola Waldron, a charming young lady of Brownville, brightened Arcadia with her presence Wednesday.

Have you seen the new Secret Order address cards at the De Soto Publishing Co's?

Mr. B. C. Gardner, who has been spending several days in Tampa and Plant City, returned to Arcadia Monday night.

Mrs. John Stone and Mrs. Jake Stonebreaker, who have been spending a couple of weeks out at the Lakes, returned to Arcadia Monday.

Mr. Ed. M. Earnest, a prominent merchant of Punta Gorda, and well known in our city, was a guest of the Arcadia House Saturday.

Mr. W. L. Hopson, one of Arcadia's prominent citizens, and a successful livery stable man, left Sunday to look after his business in Fort Myers.

The Methodist Sunday School is steadily growing in membership; there having been a marked increase in attendance the last three Sundays. Having received a full supply of song books the Sunday School will have a song service every Sunday morning.

Crescent Address Cards, embossed for all secret orders. The News Office.

The Arcadia Cornet Band is rapidly coming to the front, and their Concert last night was greatly enjoyed by all who had the good fortune to hear them.

Mr. Ray Reynolds, a valued attache of the Arcadia Electric Light and Telephone Company, left Monday morning to visit his parents at Maitland, Fla.

Miss Fannie Leigh, a very charming young lady of Tampa, who has been for some time visiting relatives in Arcadia, returned to her home Wednesday morning.

Mr. Charles Davies, of the State Bureau of Information, Jacksonville, was in the city on business several days this week, and paid the News office a pleasant call.

What about your office stationery? The De Soto Pub. Company can represent you as you should be—in a neat stylish, down-to-date manner. We would be pleased to "show you."

Old umbrellas made new at F. Marquis' Jewelry Store.

Rev. Dr. T. J. Phillips, of Punta Gorda, preached in the Methodist church here Sunday. His text was an able and eloquent exposition of his text, and was greatly enjoyed by the congregation. Rev. S. P. DePass, the pastor, will preach next Sunday; the public are cordially invited.

Prof. W. J. Odom State Enumerator Reports the population of Arcadia at 1519; this shows a substantial increase over the U. S. Census of 1900 which gave Arcadia 799, being more than 100 % increase in five years. The city's enumeration gave 1569 but this was taken during orange season.

J. W. Payne has a first-class bargain in a top buggy.

The Thrice-a-Week World and the De Soto County News for one year, \$1.50. See ad. in another column. This is an opportunity for getting four papers a week for a trifle more than the price of one—the World every other day, and the News every week. Send in your subscriptions, and keep abreast of the times.

The News frequently receives requests for sample copies of the paper from people in the North and West who are desirous of coming to Florida, and who desire to acquaint themselves with the advantages of our State, and De Soto County in particular. The County Commissioners have five hundred books describing the varied industries of De Soto, and the News has an equal number. They should all be distributed judiciously to interested inquirers throughout the North, East and West. The expense of mailing these books would be infinitesimal as compared to the advantages which would accrue to our fair and fertile County.

GARDNER ITEMS.

Weather is extremely hot now. Mr. Emory Johnson of Arcadia was among the many callers here last Sunday.

Mr. Hutto Durrance of Lily was also casting his winning smile at one of Gardner's fair sex Sunday.

Mr. W. A. Stevens of Fort McCoy is visiting friends and relatives here now.

Mrs. Enoch Worth, after spending several weeks with her parents in Georgia, returned to her home at this place last Friday.

Mrs. McCorquodale and Miss Mamie Coker of this place made their Oak Hill friends a pleasant call last Sunday and report a very nice time.

Mr. Leffie Boggess, one of Gardner's charming young men, left Monday for the East Coast to spend a few months.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Coker made Arcadia a business call Tuesday.

Mr. Fred Guthrie of Charlotte Harbor was stopping at the Gardner House last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Tysen has recently moved into town.

Mr. Samuel Whidden of Lily has recently bought out the beef market of Mr. T. W. Coker.

School is progressing nicely under the able management of Mr. Chester Parker and Miss Jennie Carlton. Sixty pupils are on the roll and others coming later.

Messrs. Hamp, Strickland, Bryant, Hampton and Mobley, of Arcadia, were calling at this place Saturday night.

A basket supper was given at one of the vacant stores here last Saturday night for the benefit of the church. Ice cream and cake was served also. Every one present reaped a pleasant time.

Regular sermons will be held here on the third Saturday and Sunday. There will also be baptismal services on Sunday.

Mr. Bryant McCorquodale of Arcadia was casting sweet smiles at some of Gardner's sweet children Sunday.

Military Bounty Land Warrants.

WANTED:—Will pay \$5.00 for telling me who has one whether I buy it or not.

R. K. KELLEY, Kansas City, Mo.

New Home, Domestic & other new drop Head Sewing Machines

For Sale or Rent... A full line of Needles, Oils, etc... Sewing Machines and Guns Sold on Installments... Guns, Rifles and Pistols for Sale.

CHURCH NOTES.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Attendance at Bible School last Sunday was twenty above the hundred mark. A good collection for the Orphanage was taken.

The B. Y. P. U. Sunday afternoon was rained out. But several of our members attended the services at the jail in spite of wet weather.

Next Sunday afternoon at 5:15 the pastor will talk to the prisoners again.

Miss Lessie Johnson has gone to Jacksonville to pursue a course in short hand.

Bro. J. L. Durrance, the pastor of New Hope church near Zolfo, was in Arcadia last Monday getting ready to go to the mountains on a well deserved vacation after an unbroken pastorate of ten years. His church generously provided the funds for his outing. Bro. Bean will fill his next appointment at New Hope.

Mrs. Lane is convalescent after a very dangerous illness.

Miss Zella Humphries is summering in North Carolina and has decided not to teach next session.

Our mid-week prayer meetings are well attended. Thirty went last week in the rain. Let us encourage the growing interest in prayer as a preparation for the Taylor meetings next December. It is not too early to begin to look forward to them.

C. J. Smith, a well known Baptist of Marion County, is spending several days in Arcadia looking after certain lands.

Miss Garner, of the Orphanage, went home this week to spend the remainder of the heated term. She is expected to return in time for her duties in the school room next Autumn.

The subject for the Young Peoples' meeting Sunday afternoon will be Character Building—2 Pet. 1:1-11 and Jude 20-21.

Our prices for printing may not be as cheap as you can find, but we handle the best of office and society stationery, and it has always been our motto that the best was none too good for our customers. Look over your office stationery, and see what is needed. A postal or telephone call will bring our representative. Phone 17.

The Japanese government has recently placed "rush" orders in this country for 350 steel bridges, 150 railway locomotives and 2,000 cars, to be shipped to Manchuria. The material will be used on the Manchurian railroad, captured from the Russians. This large order for railway supplies is regarded as direct evidence that Japan has no intention of getting out of Manchuria following the conclusion of peace.—Savannah News.

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Books, Slates, pencils, tablets, book sacks, ink, and in fact everything that a child uses at school.

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There is estimated to be 195,403 square miles of coal beds in the United States.

If you don't trade at the BRIDGE STORE and save your money, there will be more "Coal" Beds in Arcadia than this.

Anything You Want At
THE BRIDGE STORE

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OWL CLUB ENTERTAINED

By Mr. and Mrs. Geo. R. Parker Last Friday Evening.

One of the pleasantest social events of the season was a Whist Party given by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. R. Parker at their residence last Friday evening in honor of the Owl Club of this city.

Japanese lanterns and umbrellas gave an Oriental effect to the decorations, which were very beautiful and elicited many expressions of admiration from those present.

About forty guests were present. Eight tables were formed and a most delightful evening was passed in this fascinating game, interspersed with delicious refreshments. Misses Mamie Simmons and Colius Worley, in costume, were superb in their role of Japanese waitresses, and dispensed refreshments in a most charming manner. Among those present were the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Parker. Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Williford, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Houston. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Horton, Mr. T. B. King, Mrs. Ida Holcomb, Mrs. Jake Way, Mrs. Minnie Smith, Mrs. Effie Peters, Mrs. J. N. Hollingsworth, Miss Fannie Bunker, Miss Adaphine Simmons, Miss Mary Giles, Miss Olney Williams, Miss Ida Green, Miss Beulah Hollingsworth, Miss Mamie Starbuck, Messrs. Will Platt, John Burton, Dr. Kline, John Carter, J. C. King, Russell King, W. E. Leither, Mr. Pruett, Mrs. A. M. Smith, Miss Danalto Porsen, Miss Maggie Stetson, Miss Mattie Roe, Miss Mamie Simmons, Miss Colius Worley.

Mrs. Effie Peters won the 1st Lady's prize and Mr. Pruett the 1st Gentleman's prize, while Miss Beulah Hollingsworth captured the Booby.

Through an error on the part of the make-up last week the Fort Ogden head was inadvertently placed over the Bowling Green correspondence. Our clever correspondent at that place, in referring to the incident, euphoniously remarks that our proof reader was evidently on a "razzle-dazzle." Wherein our Bowling Green correspondent erred was in failing to place the blame on the "intelligent compositor."

I have for sale within the incorporate limits of Arcadia, desirably located, three tracts of land, fronting residence streets, and planted with fine bearing orange trees. One tract contains a good six room cottage, well-built, 200 bearing trees and consists of two and one half acres. This tract I ask \$4000 for. The other two, each contain about 300 bearing trees each, but no buildings. Will sell at extremely reasonable figures. W. O. Ralls, Arcadia, Fla.

Among the many new buildings going up in Arcadia may be noted the handsome new livery stable just completed by Mr. Will Robertson, and the one nearing completion for Messrs. Hopson & Hooker.

POST YOURSELF

On the merits of the Huntley Orange and Grape Fruit Sizer, manufactured by G. W. Gibson, then order one, and be ready to ship your fruit to the early market. For description, address

G. W. GIBSON,
Arcadia, Florida.

Found.

Two strayed colts, iron grays. Any person desiring information about them call on C. C. Chancey, Duett, Manatee county, Florida.

For Sale.

One thousand six hundred head of cattle. Address,
A. M. McKINNON,
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CHATTANOOGA, TENN., APRIL 3, '05.

PERRY C. BROWN,
ARCADIA, FLORIDA,
DEAR SIR:—

The suit arrived over a month ago, and is the best fitting Summer suit I ever had. I have only one complaint to make, they did not put any belt straps on. Cannot you have them make them and mail to me so my wife can put them on?

Yours,
W. H. CONVERSE.

ARCADIA LIVERY AND SALE STABLE CO.,
WILL E. ROBERTSON, MANAGER.

Those who desire to purchase Horses or Mules for any particular kind of work would do well to call and inspect our stock before purchasing elsewhere. Our animals are all first-class A No. 1 stock, and we guarantee to please our customers. If an animal is not just what we represent him to be we are always ready to "make good." Our Sale Stables are the largest in south Flor.



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